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SUBJ: POSSIBLE RHODESIAN PARTICIPANTS IN US SKYDIVING
COMPETITION

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1. EMBASSY IS AWARE JOHN PIERSON, WHO IS MAJOR IN RHODESIAN ARMY, WAS REFUSED VISA IN JOHANNESBURG TO GO TO TALEQUAH, OKLAHOMA, IN AUGUST 1972 TO COMPETE IN WORLD PARACHUTING CHAMPIONSHIPS. HE, BASIL WHITE, BUSTER BROWN, AND SEVERAL OTHERS SUBSEQUENTLY PROCURED VISAS, APPARENTLY AT U.S. POST IN EUROPE, AND ONCE IN U.S. WERE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN COMPETITION AS RHODESIAN TEAM FLYING RHODESIAN FLAG. UPON THEIR RETURN THEY BOASTED THAT THEY HAD OUTFLANKED U.S. POLICY.

2. PIERSON TRAVELS ON SOUTH AFRICAN PPT. BROWN AND WHITE BELIEVED TO HOLD UK PPTS.
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